

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Takuji MAEDA et al. Art Unit: 2186  
Application No.: 10/564,817 Examiner: Chery, M.  
Title: DATA AREA MANAGING METHOD IN INFORMATION RECORDING  
MEDIUM AND INFORMATION PROCESSOR EMPLOYING DATA AREA  
MANAGING METHOD  
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

AND

NOTIFICATION OF FILING OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2009, applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) about the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for two (2) months to December 28, 2009, (since December 27, 2009 is a Sunday), for filing a response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2009 including an RCE in connection with the above-identified application and thereby maintaining copendency to file the RCE.

Transmittal Letter and Petition for Extension of  
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Applicants previously petitioned for a one month extension of time and paid the one month extension of time fee on November 27, 2009. Therefore, applicants hereby submit that the additional fee (\$360.00) for the second month extension of time fee (\$490.00 - \$130.00) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

The \$360.00 fee for the extension of time and the \$810.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) for filing the RCE are authorized to be paid as stated in the accompanying RCE Transmittal Letter.

If any fees are required to maintain this application in pending status for the purpose of filing the RCE, the USPTO is authorized to charge these amounts to our Deposit Account No. 19-2586, referencing Attorney Docket No. 0074/062001.

Respectfully submitted,

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